



## **Kentucky Department of Corrections**

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### **Kentucky Correctional Industries Receives Perfect Audit Score**

**FRANKFORT, Ky.** (June 21, 2016) – Kentucky Correctional Industries (KCI) received a perfect score on its first re-accreditation audit from the American Correctional Association (ACA).

“Staff were very knowledgeable and understood their role,” said Audit Chair Robert Murphy. “There is great team work and camaraderie among staff, and it shows in their work.”

KCI is a division of the Kentucky Department of Corrections and operates industries at nearly all of the state prisons. KCI is designed to operate as a self-sustaining business, and it employs 675 inmates in jobs such as furniture making, braille transcription and printing. The showroom is open to the public and KCI is allowed to sell goods and services to any government agency, private business or private individual within Kentucky.

Commissioner Rodney Ballard also congratulated the KCI employees.

“I had complete confidence in the KCI staff that this would be a successful audit,” said Ballard. “They are committed and dedicated professionals that have worked very hard to earn the score of 100 percent.”

The correctional industries audit is a multi-faceted examination of every aspect within the division. It consists of 82 performance-based standards that cover safety, security, expectations of inmates’ behavior and systems accountability to promote efficient operations, inmate programs and treatment, and administration and management. The audit process requires constant monitoring and quality control checks. The division will be audited by ACA every three years and undergo an inter-departmental audit every year.

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